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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Data Collection Available for Public Comments

AGENCY: Small Business Administration.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments

SUMMARY: The Small Business Administration (SBA) intends to request approval, from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the collection of information described below. The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) requires federal agencies to publish a notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information before submission to OMB, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice complies with that requirement.

DATES: Submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]

ADDRESSES: Send all comments to Joseph Eitel, Director, Office of Personnel Security, Small Business Administration, Denver, CO 80202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Eitel, Director, Office of Personnel Security joseph.eitel@sba.gov 303-844-7750, or Curtis B. Rich, Agency Clearance Officer, 202-205-7030, curtis.rich@sba.gov;

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Small Business Administration SBA Form 912 is used to collect information needed to make character determinations with respect to applicants for monetary loan assistance or applicants for participation in SBA programs. The information collected is used as the basis for conducting name checks at national Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) and local levels.

Solicitation of Public Comments:

SBA is requesting comments on (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are

accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are

ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

Summary of Information Collection:

OMB Control Number 3245-0178

Title: Statement of Personal History

Description of Respondents: Applicants participating in SBA programs

Form Number: SBA Form 912

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 142,000

Total Estimated Annual Hour Burden: 35,500

Curtis B. Rich,

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